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SUBJECT: GOP COMMUNIQUE DISPUTING LAINO HUMAN RIGHTS STATEMENT

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1. BELOW FOLLOWS THE FULL TEXT OF THE COMMUNIQUE FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ISSUED MAY 29 IN RESPONSE TO EX-DEPUTY DOMINGO LAINO'S DECLARATION CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS IN PARAGUAY AND THE NEED TO SUSPEND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THE STROESSNER GOVERNMENT.

2. BEGIN TEXT: "THE PARAGUAYAN FOREIGN MINISTRY, WHICH HAS THE DUTY OF PRESERVING LOYAL AND FRANK UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NATIONS WHICH MAINTAIN FRIENDLY LINKS WITH OUR COUNTRY, FEELS OBLIGED TO STATE ITS POSITION IN VIEW OF THE ATTITUDE OF FORMER CONGRESSMAN DOMINGO LAINO WHO, FOR WASHINGTON (UNITED STATES), HAS REQUESTED FOREIGN INTERVENTION TO OBTAIN A CHANGE IN PARAGUAY'S POWER STRUCTURE THROUGH INADMISSABLE ECONOMIC PRESSURE, WHICH IMPLIES SERIOUS INTERVENTION IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF A SOVEREIGN COUNTRY.

PARAGUAY HAS FOUGHT, HAS SHED ITS BLOOD, TO DEFEND THE PRINCIPLE OF NONINTERVENTION, TO KEEP ITS FREEDOM OF SELF-DETERMINATION SAFE AND TO MAINTAIN THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO FREELY ELECT THEIR LEADERS. THEREFORE, PUBLIC OPINION EMPHATICALLY REJECTS UNCLASSIFIED

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THE INTENTIONS OF THIS INDIVIDUAL, WHO REPRESENTS NOBODY AND IS INCITING A REVIVAL OF THE TIMES OF MOCKERY AND PROSTRATION IN OUR FATHERLAND.

BEFORE INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY REJECTS AND REPUDIATES THE LIES AND CALUMNY ABOUT AND AGAINST THE PARAGUAYAN PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT AND EXPRESSES, WITH THE TRUTH OF HISTORY, THAT WHEREVER A GOOD PARAGUAYAN IS, IRREGARDLESS OF

HIS POLITICAL BELIEFS, HE WILL BECOME A DEFENDER OF NATIONAL
DIGNITY IN ORDER TO FACE THE INSOLENT OF THOSE WHO REQUEST THE
UMBRELLA OF FOREIGN FLAGS TO ALTER THE POPULAR, FREE AND DEMOCRATIC
WILL WHICH HAS BEEN EXPRESSED THROUGH UNOBJECTIONALBE ELECTIONS."
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